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Revision History

Date	Version	Description
10/22/97	001	This is a new Specification Update document. The initial stepping (A-0) of the 8x931AA/HA USB peripheral controller is for prototype purposes only and will not be used as production material.
2/9/98	002	Added B-0 stepping of the 8x931AA/HA. Added Specification Change number 2. Added Specification Clarification number 1. Added Documentation Change number 3.
3/17/98	003	Added Specification Change number 3.
6/1/98	004	Added Erratum number 5. Added Specification Change number 4.
7/6/98	005	Added Specification Clarification number 2. Added Documentation Change numbers 4 and 5.
8/5/98	006	Added B-1 stepping of the 8x931AA/HA.

Preface

As of July, 1996, Intel's Computing Enhancement Group has consolidated available historical device and documentation errata into this new document type called the Specification Update. We have endeavored to include all documented errata in the consolidation process, however, we make no representations or warranties concerning the completeness of the Specification Update.

This document is an update to the specifications contained in the Affected Documents/Related Documents table below. This document is a compilation of device and documentation errata, specification clarifications and changes. It is intended for hardware system manufacturers and software developers of applications, operating systems, or tools.

Information types defined in Nomenclature are consolidated into the specification update and are no longer published in other documents.

This document may also contain information that was not previously published.

Affected Documents/Related Documents

Title	Order Number
8x931AA, 8x931HA Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller User's Manual	273102
8x931AA, 8x931HA Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller Data Sheet	273108

Nomenclature

Errata are design defects or errors. These may cause the published (component, board, system) behavior to deviate from published specifications. Hardware and software designed to be used with any component, board, and system must consider all errata documented.

Specification Changes are modifications to the current published specifications. These changes will be incorporated in any new release of the specification.

Specification Clarifications describe a specification in greater detail or further highlight a specification's impact to a complex design situation. These clarifications will be incorporated in any new release of the specification.

Documentation Changes include typos, errors, or omissions from the current published specifications. These will be incorporated in any new release of the specification.

Note: Errata remain in the specification update throughout the product's lifecycle, or until a particular stepping is no longer commercially available. Under these circumstances, errata removed from the specification update are archived and available upon request. Specification changes, specification clarifications and documentation changes are removed from the specification update when the appropriate changes are made to the appropriate product specification or user documentation (datasheets, manuals, etc.).

Summary Table of Changes

The following table indicates the errata, specification changes, specification clarifications, or documentation changes which apply to the 8x931AA/HA products. Intel may fix some of the errata in a future stepping of the component, and account for the other outstanding issues through documentation or specification changes as noted. This table uses the following notations:

Codes Used in Summary Table

Stepping

X:	Errata exists in the stepping indicated. Specification Change or Clarification that applies to this stepping.
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or (Blank box):	This erratum is fixed in listed stepping or specification change does not apply to listed stepping.

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Status

Doc:	Document change or update will be implemented.
Fix:	This erratum is intended to be fixed in a future step of the component.
Fixed:	This erratum has been previously fixed.
NoFix:	There are no plans to fix this erratum.
Eval:	Plans to fix this erratum are under evaluation.

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Change bar to left of table row indicates this erratum is either new or modified from the previous version of the document.

Errata

No.	Steppings			Page	Status	ERRATA
	A-0	B-0	B-1			
1	X			11	Fixed	USB VCRS Electrical Characteristics Marginality
2	X			11	Fixed	Full-speed Receive FIFO Overflow
3	X			11	Fixed	Excessive LED Current
4	X			12	Fixed	Isochronous Transfer RXCNT Errata
5	X	X		13	Fixed	8x931Ax, 8x931Hx Cold-Boot Errata

Specification Changes

No.	Steppings			Page	Status	SPECIFICATION CHANGES
	A-0	B-0	B-1			
1	X	X		15	Doc	The initial 8x931AA and 8x931HA devices will only be available in 68-pin PLCC packages
2	X	X	X	15	Doc	ECAP usage to supply 3.0-3.1 volts for 1.5K pullup.
3	X	X	X	15	Doc	Reduced Float Waveform IoI/IoH Load Value to +/- 1mA.
4	X	X	X	15	Doc	Series Resistor Requirement for Impedance Matching Changed to 22 Ohms (no longer 27 – 33 ohms)

Specification Clarifications

No.	Steppings			Page	Status	SPECIFICATION CLARIFICATIONS
	A-0	B-0	B-1			
1	X	X	X	16	Doc	P3.6 and P3.7 Low Going Spike
2	X	X	X	16	Doc	PCON GF0 and GF1 Flags are Not Cleared on USB Reset

Documentation Changes

No.	Document Revision	Page	Status	DOCUMENTATION CHANGES
1	001	17	Doc	Change Name of Supply Voltage Pins from "Vccp" to "Vcc".
2	001	17	Doc	Change Name of Circuit Ground Pins from "Vssp" to "Vss".
3	002	17	Doc	Product Nomenclature
4	005	17	Doc	QFP Package Information Added
5	005	22	Doc	Reset Circuitry Referred to in the Cold Boot Errata Added

Identification Information

Markings

Product	Part Number	Stepping	Marking	Package	Comment
8x931AA	N83931Ax	A-0	Q8454	68ld PLCC	The initial stepping (A-0) of the 8x931AA/HA USB peripheral controller is for prototype purposes only and will not be used as production material.
	N80931AA0		Q885		
8x931HA	N83931Hx	A-0	Q8453	68ld PLCC	
	N80931HA0		Q887		
8x931AA	N80931AA1	B-0	Q891	68ld PLCC	This is the second stepping (B-0) of the 8x931AA/HA USB peripheral controller.
8x931HA	N80931HA1		Q893		
8x931AA	N80931AA2	B-1	Q981	68ld PLCC	This is the third stepping (B-1) of the 8x931AA/HA USB peripheral controller.
8x931HA	N80931HA2		Q980		
8x931AA	S80931AA2		Q987	64ld MQFP	
8x931HA	S80931HA2		Q985		

Errata

1. USB VCRS Electrical Characteristics Marginality

Problem: The device shows marginality on passing the output signal crossover voltage (VCRS) electrical characteristics (refer to section 7.3.2, Bus Timing/Electrical Characteristics, of the Universal Serial Bus Specification, Rev. 1.0).

Implication: This problem occasionally causes the host PC to fail to recognize signals sent by the device, resulting in the termination of communication with the device. Devices connected downstream from an 8x931HA hub may also fail to recognize downstream signaling from the hub and result in failure or incorrect operation of those devices. Downstream port 3 is more susceptible to this failure.

Workaround: There is no workaround, although screening samples may eliminate devices that exhibit this marginality.

Status: Fixed. Refer to “Summary Table of Changes” to determine the affected stepping(s).

2. Full-speed Receive FIFO Overflow

Problem: When the host PC sends 1 byte more than the FIFO can receive, the device may respond with an ACK. The problem typically occurs when the following conditions are met:

- Must be operating as a full-speed device (12Mbps). The failure does not occur in low-speed mode (1.5Mbps).
- Occurs with low clock mode enabled (LC, PCON.5 = 1).
- Host sends 9 bytes to an 8 byte FIFO (endpoint 0 and 2) or 17 bytes to a 16 byte FIFO (endpoint 1).
- The RXFLG, RXSTAT and RXCNTL registers contain incorrect values since the data was acknowledged instead of a timeout condition occurring. The RXOVF bit (overflow flag) is set, but the RXFIF, RXFULL, RXSEQ, and RXACK bits are also set.

Implication: During normal operation, the host PC should never send more bytes than an endpoint can handle. If this occurs, it could be a sign of a host problem. Data sent from the host PC to the device becomes corrupted, as bytes are lost due to the data packet being larger than what the receiving FIFO can store.

Workaround: To prevent a potential problem, low clock mode must be disabled in hub or full-speed hubless devices. Low-speed devices are not affected. Firmware workaround is possible. This requires firmware overhead to check for FIFO status, in addition to transaction status, to clear the error condition.

Status: Fixed. Refer to “Summary Table of Changes” to determine the affected stepping(s).

3. Excessive LED Current

Problem: Pins LED3:0 were designed to drive LEDs connected directly to Vcc. The LED driver is too strong, causing the chip to sink excessive current.

Implication: When all the LED drivers are turned on at the same time, the current sinking capability of the device will be exceeded, causing excessive heating and reducing reliability of the device.

Workaround: Using a 250 ohm resistor in series with each LED, limit the sink current of the device. This will avoid excessive heating and increase device reliability.

Status: Fixed. Refer to “Summary Table of Changes” to determine the affected stepping(s).

4. Isochronous Transfer RXCNT Errata

Problem: When the 8x931 is configured to use dual packet mode in isochronous transfer, the receive FIFO count register (RXCNTx) of the new data packet is corrupted if the *read completion* of the previous data packet (Setting RXFFRC bit) coincides with *receive done* of the new data packet.

Implication: When this problem occurs, the 8x931 will read an incorrect value from the RXCNTx register on the new data packet and hence read an incorrect number of bytes from the receive FIFO. When this occurs, the data read will be either shorter or longer than that actually received, the data read will be incorrect, and the receive FIFO will overflow or underrun.

Workaround: At the end of an isochronous data read in the start of frame (SOF) ISR, do **not** release the RXFIFO by setting the RXFFRC bit. In the very beginning of the next SOF interrupt service routine, before the next OUT token arrives, set the RXFFRC bit to release the RXFIFO that was read in the previous frame. This will prevent the *read completion* of the previous data packet (setting RXFFRC bit) from coinciding with the *receive done* of the new data packet. A firmware example of a workaround is shown in Figure 1.

Status: Fixed. Refer to “Summary Table of Changes” to determine the affected stepping(s).

Figure 1. Isochronous Transfer RXCNTx Errata Firmware Workaround Example

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;*****
; Isochronous Transfer Endpoint 1 Initialization Code
; > Use a direct address RAM location (eg. 30h) to store a value for setting or not setting RXFFRC bit:
; > [30h] = 0Ch ->not to set RXFFRC bit,
; > [30h] = 1Ch ->to set RXFFRC bit,
;*****
ISO_EP1_INIT:                                ; example endpoint 1 initialization routine
    mov                                     ; do not set RXFFRC bit when entering SOF ISR for the ;first time
    30h, #0Ch

    ;other Endpoint 1 initialization code
    ret

;*****
; START OF FRAME (SOF) Interrupt Service Routine
; > RXFFRC bit is set to release the isochronous data packet that was read in previous frame
;*****
;
; SOF_ISR:                                ; example endpoint 1 isochronous transfer ISR
    push EPINDEX
    mov EPINDEX, #01h                      ; select iso endpoint 1
    mov RXCON, 30h                        ; set or do not set RXFFRC bit depends on value ;in 30
    ; do not add additional instructions before this line; RXFFRC bit must be set before OUT token arrives
    push PSW
    push PSW1
    push ACC
    push R3
    clr ASOF                               ;clear SOF interrupt flag
;
EP1_RX_ISOC:                                ;example ISO receive processing routine
    jb RXFIFO, EP1_RX_DATA_AVAIL
    jb RXFIF1, EP1_RX_DATA_AVAIL
    mov 30h, #0Ch                          ; no iso data packet received, don't
                                           ;setRXFFRC bit in next frame
    ljmp EXIT_SOF_ISR

(Continued)

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Figure 1. Isochronous Transfer RXCNTx Errata Firmware Workaround Example (Continued)

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*****
; Start of Frame Interrupt Service Routine, Continued
*****
;
;
EP1_RX_DATA_AVAIL:
    mov     30h, #1Ch                                ; to set RXFFRC bit in next frame as it is read in ;this frame

    jnb     RXERR, EP1_NO_RX_ERROR                    ; jump to iso receive error handling routine
    ljmp     HANDLER_RX1_ERROR_X

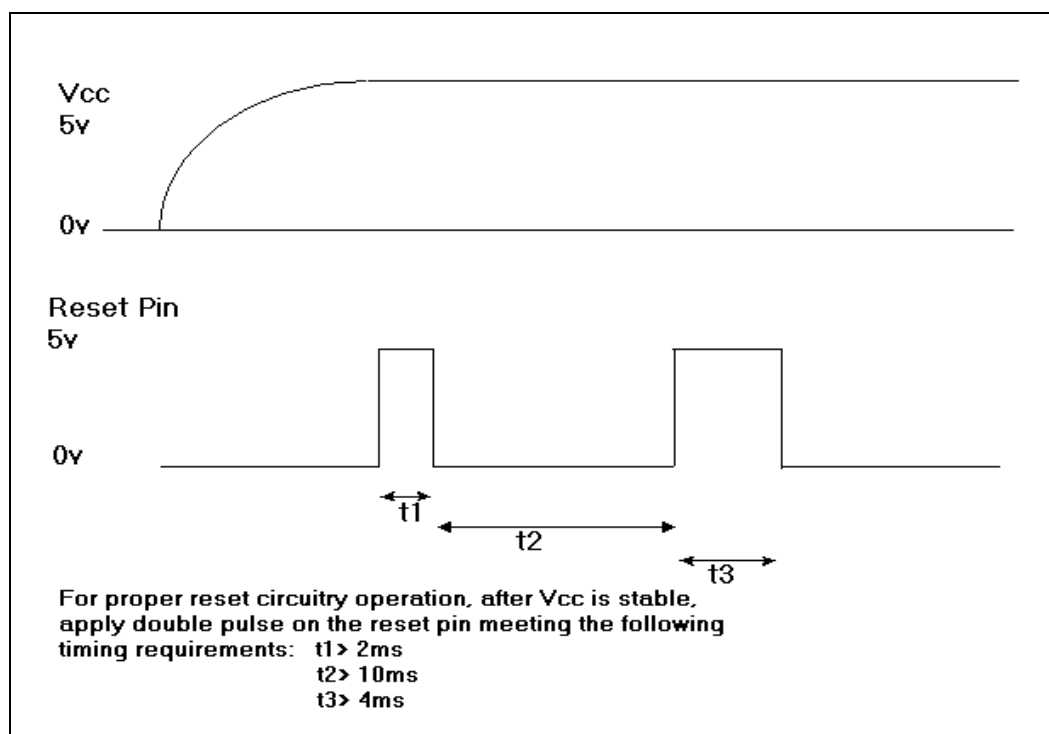
;
EP1_NO_RX_ERROR:
    mov     A, RXCNTL                                ; get the receive count
    jz      EXIT_SOF_ISR
    mov     R3, A                                    ; temp storage of RXCNTL
;
RX_Loop_x:
    mov     A, RXDAT                                  ; read the iso data received
; process the data here, such as save to memory etc
    djnz    R3, RX_LOOP_X
;
EXIT_SOF_ISR:
; restore any registers used
    pop     R3
    pop     ACC
    pop     PSW1
    pop     PSW
    pop     EPINDEX
    reti

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5. 8x931Ax, 8x931Hx Cold-Boot Errata

- Problem:** It has been discovered that members of the 8x931 USB Peripheral Controller family may not function after a cold-boot on certain PC systems. Intel has discovered on some PCs, that a small voltage (80mV – 1.0V) is present on the USB +5v connector pin when the system is powered off. This voltage coupled with 8x931 reset sensitivity can cause the 8x931 to fail to enumerate properly after a cold-boot power-on. This issue occurs when the "PC-off" USB supply voltage at the pin is between the range of 80mV – 200mV.
- Implication:** 8x931-based USB peripherals, when attached to a PC that has been cold-booted, may not enumerate after power-on if the PC provides partial power to the USB bus when powered off.
- Workaround 1:** The first method requires the end-user to unplug the affected peripheral from the PC and re-plug it back into the PC after a cold-boot power-on. This has proven to work properly on all systems tested to date.
- Workaround 2:** The second method entails the addition of reset circuitry which provides a double reset pulse instead of a single reset pulse at power-on. The reset signal shown in Figure 2 below has been characterized as a possible workaround for the cold-boot errata. Note that this reset pulse can be implemented in various manners. Intel is currently testing several of these methods and will publish them as part of this specification update when testing is completed. Note that use of this or any workaround should be validated by the implementer for given applications.

Figure 2. Circuitry for Cold-Boot Errata



Status: Fixed. Refer to “Summary Table of Changes” to determine the affected stepping(s).

Specification Changes

1. The initial 8x931AA and 8x931HA devices will only be available in 68-pin PLCC packages

The 64-pin SDIP and 64-pin QFP packages mentioned in the 8x931AA/HA USB Peripheral Controller datasheet, product brief, and user's manual are currently unavailable. The production of these packages are still under evaluation.

2. ECAP usage to supply 3.0-3.1 volts for 1.5K pullup

Section 7.7 of the 8x931AA, 8x931HA datasheet incorrectly describes the ECAP voltage. This description was based on past steppings of the 8x930 controllers. For the 8x931, the ECAP pin and associated circuitry have been redesigned so that the ECAP voltage will be maintained at 3.0v to 3.1v instead of varying with VCC.

3. Reduced Float Waveform I_{OL}/I_{OH} Load Value to +/-1mA

Figure 12 “Float Waveforms” on page 24 of the 8x931AA, 8x931HA Datasheet was changed to reflect a reduction to the I_{OL}/I_{OH} load value. The higher current load (+/- 20mA) will cause the device to fail the float timings specs. Reduce the load to +/- 1mA.

4. Series Resistor Requirement for Impedance Matching Changed to 22 Ohms (no longer 27 – 33 ohms)

Section 7.3 of the 8x931AA, 8x931HA Datasheet has been changed. To better match the output driver impedance, the recommended resistance is 22 ohms.

Specification Clarifications

1. P3.6 and P3.7 Low Going Spike

Problem: A 500mV low going spike can occur on P3.6 and P3.7, therefore causing these pins to NOT meet the following datasheet DC specification: $VOH = V_{CC} - 0.3$. This spike will happen only when a signal transition occurs on a Port 1 pin.

Issue: There is no application issue, even with this glitch, because these pins will not violate the V_{IH} minimum specification for CMOS (3.5v) and TTL (2.0v) inputs.

Affected Docs: 8x931AA, 8x931HA *Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller User's Manual* (order #: 273102), and 8x931AA/8x931HA *Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller Datasheet* (order#: 273108).

2. PCON GF0 and GF1 Flags are Not Cleared on USB Reset

Problem: When not using USB reset separation, a USB reset should clear the GF0 and GF1 flags in the PCON register; this does not happen on 8x931xx devices.

Issue: Firmware designed to use these flags to determine when a USB reset occurs will not function properly. The GF0 and GF1 flags are only cleared on a full chip reset. This condition affects all steppings of the 8x931 devices.

Workaround: The programmer will need to utilize a different register or variable other than GF0 or GF1 if they are expecting them to be cleared on a USB reset.

Affected Docs: 8x931AA, 8x931HA *Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller User's Manual* (order #: 273102), and 8x931AA/8x931HA *Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller Datasheet* (order#: 273108).

Documentation Changes

1. Change Name of Supply Voltage Pins from “ V_{CCP} ” to “ V_{CC} ”.

Issue: The supply voltage pins are referred to as both V_{CCP} and the V_{CC} . All references to V_{CCP} pins in the text, tables, and pin maps are changed to V_{CC} .

Affected Docs: Appendices B and E of the *8x931AA, 8x931HA Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller User's Manual*.

2. Change Name of Circuit Ground Pins from “ V_{SSP} ” to “ V_{SS} ”.

Issue: The circuit ground pins are referred to as both V_{SSP} and V_{SS} . All references to V_{SSP} pins in the text, tables, and pin maps are changed to V_{SS} .

Affected Docs: Appendices B and E of the *8x931AA, 8x931HA Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller User's Manual*.

3. Product Nomenclature

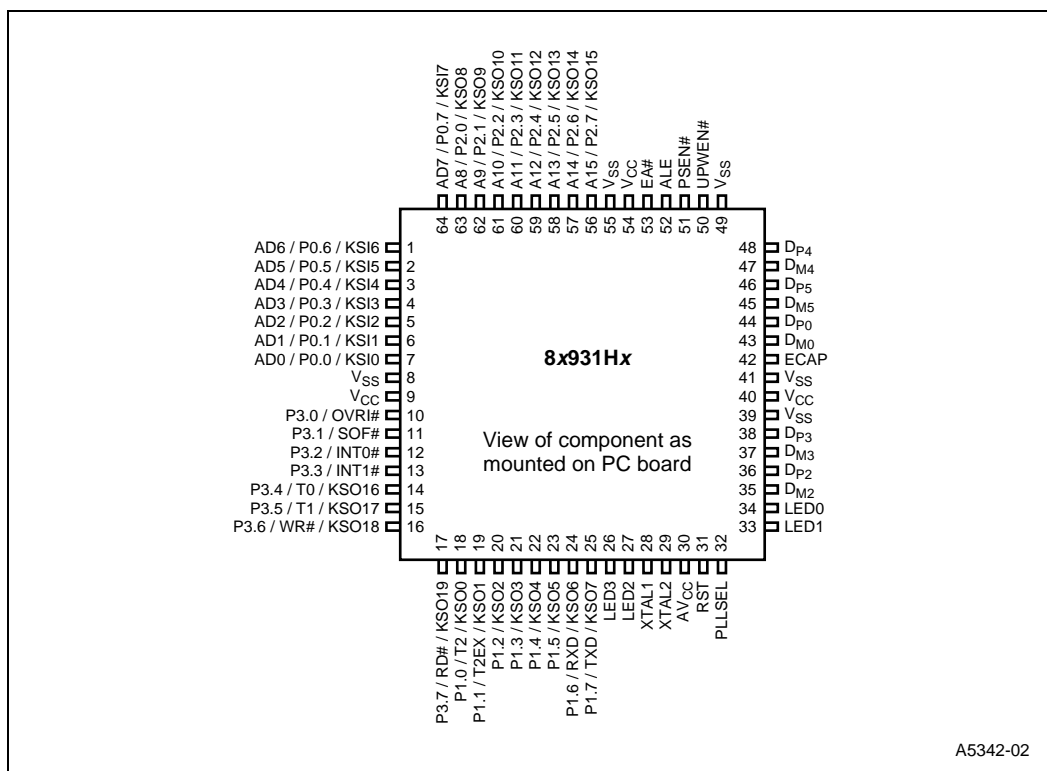
Issue: The “Device Speed” parameter in Figure 1 and Table 3 of the 8x931AA, 8x931HA Datasheet is incorrect. This parameter in the product name is used to identify the stepping revision for the device. For example, an 8x931HA0 is the A-0 stepping for the 8x931HA device, whereas 8x931HA1 would be the B-0 stepping for the same device.

Affected Docs: Figure 1 and Table 3 of the *8x931AA, 8x931HA Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller Datasheet*.

4. QFP Package Information Added

Issue: Figures B-3 and B-4 and Tables B3 and B6 from the *8x931AA, 8x931HA Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller User's Manual* have been added below (see Figures 3 and 4 and Tables 1 and 2).

Figure 3. 8x931HA 64-pin QFP Package



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Figure 4. 8x931AA 64-pin QFP Package

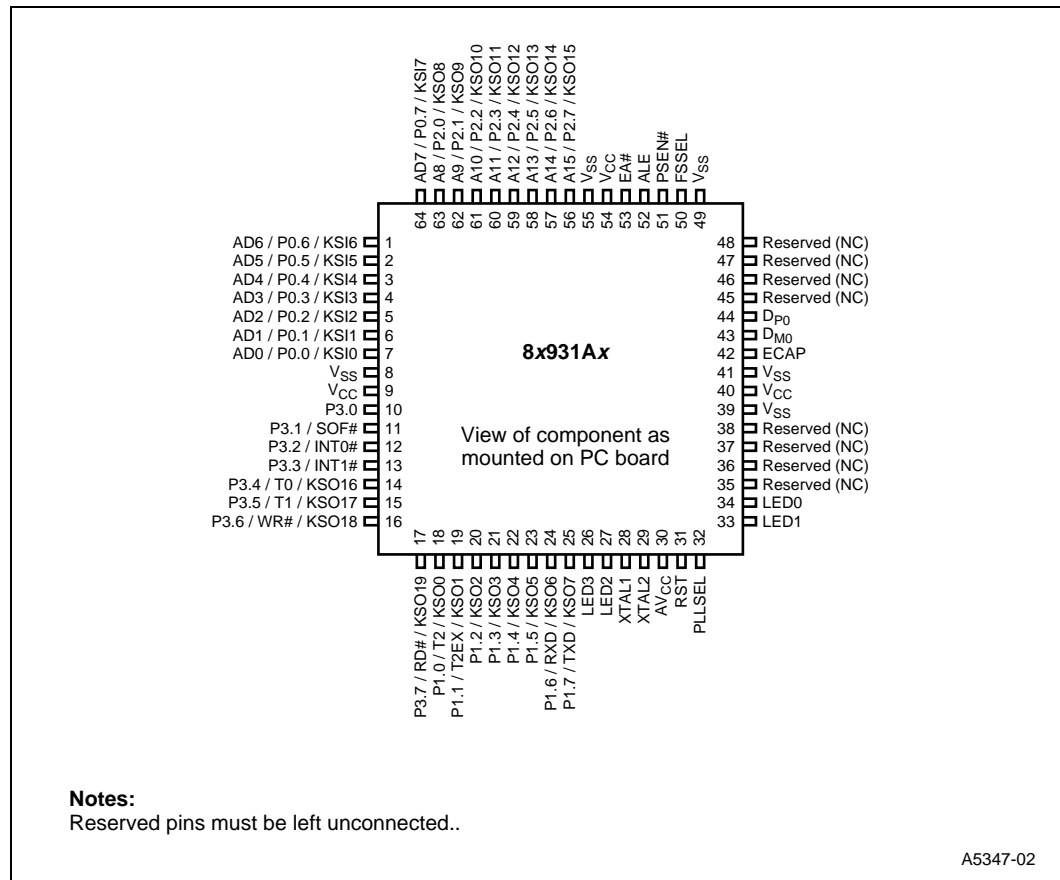


Table 1. 64-pin QFP Pin Assignment

Pin	Name
1	AD6/P0.6/KSI6
2	AD5/P0.5/KSI5
3	AD4/P0.4/KSI4
4	AD3/P0.3/KSI3
5	AD2/P0.2/KSI2
6	AD1/P0.1/KSI1
7	AD0/P0.0/KSI0
8	V _{SS}
9	V _{CC}
10	P3.0/OVRI#††
11	P3.1/SOF#
12	P3.2/INT0#
13	P3.3/INT1#
14	P3.4/T0/KSO16
15	P3.5/T1/KSO17
16	P3.6/WR#/KSO18
17	P3.7/RD#/KSO19
18	P1.0/T2/KSO0
19	P1.1/T2EX/KSO1
20	P1.2/KSO2
21	P1.3/KSO3
22	P1.4/KSO4

Pin	Name
23	P1.5/KSO5
24	P1.6/RXD/KSO6
25	P1.7/TXD/KSO7
26	LED3
27	LED2
28	XTAL1
29	XTAL2
30	AV _{CC}
31	RST
32	PLLSEL
33	LED1
34	LED0
35	Reserved (NC)†/D _{M2} ††
36	Reserved (NC)†/D _{P2} ††
37	Reserved (NC)†/D _{M3} ††
38	Reserved (NC)†/D _{P3} ††
39	V _{SS}
40	V _{CC}
41	V _{SS}
42	ECAP
43	D _{M0}
44	D _{P0}

Pin	Name
45	Reserved (NC)†/D _{M5} ††
46	Reserved (NC)†/D _{P5} ††
47	Reserved (NC)†/D _{M4} ††
48	Reserved (NC)†/D _{P4} ††
49	V _{SS}
50	FSSEL†/UPWEN#††
51	PSEN#
52	ALE
53	EA#
54	V _{CC}
55	V _{SS}
56	A15/P2.7/KSO15
57	A14/P2.6/KSO14
58	A13/P2.5/KSO13
59	A12/P2.4/KSO12
60	A11/P2.3/KSO11
61	A10/P2.2/KSO10
62	A9/P2.1/KSO9
63	A8/P2.0/KSO8
64	AD7/P0.7/KSI7

† Specific to the 8x931AA

†† Specific to the 8x931HA

Table 2. 64-pin QFP Signal Assignments Arranged by Functional Category

Address & Data		Input/Output		USB	
Name	Pin	Name	Pin	Name	Pin
AD6/P0.6/KSI6	1	P3.0/OVRI#††	10	PLLSEL	32
AD5/P0.5/KSI5	2	P3.1/SOF#	11	ECAP	42
AD4/P0.4/KSI4	3	P3.2/INT0#	12	D _{M0}	43
AD3/P0.3/KSI3	4	P3.3/INT1#	13	D _{P0}	44
AD2/P0.2/KSI2	5	P3.4/T0/KSO16	14	FSSEL†/UPWEN#††	50
AD1/P0.1/KSI1	6	P3.5/T1/KSO17	15	OVRI#††	10
AD0/P0.0/KSI0	7	P3.6/WR#/KSO18	16	D _{P2} ††	36
A15/P2.7/KSO15	56	P3.7/RD#/KSO19	17	D _{M2} ††	35
A14/P2.6/KSO14	57	P1.0/T2/KSO0	18	D _{P3} ††	38
A13/P2.5/KSO13	58	P1.1/T2EX/KSO1	19	D _{M3} ††	37
A12/P2.4/KSO12	59	P1.2/KSO2	20	D _{P4} ††	48
A11/P2.3/KSO11	60	P1.3/KSO3	21	D _{M4} ††	47
A10/P2.2/KSO10	61	P1.4/KSO4	22	D _{P5} ††	46
A9/P2.1/KSO9	62	P1.5/KSO5	23	D _{M5} ††	45
A8/P2.0/KSO8	63	P1.6/RXD/KSO6	24		
AD7/P0.7/KSI7	64	P1.7/TXD/KSO7	25		

Processor Control		Power & Ground		Bus Control & Status	
Name	Pin	Name	Pin	Name	Pin
XTAL1	28	V _{CC}	9	PSEN#	51
XTAL2	29	AV _{CC}	30	ALE	52
RST	31	V _{SS}	39,55	EA#	53
P3.2/INT0#	12	V _{CC}	40,54	WR#	16
P3.3/INT1#	13	V _{SS}	8, 41,49	RD#	17

† Specific to the 8x931AA

†† Specific to the 8x931HA

5. Reset Circuitry Referred to in the Cold Boot Errata Added

Issue: The cold boot errata external circuit workaround diagram (83931HA1/83931AA1 Cold Boot Errata) has been added below (see Figure 1). Refer to “8x931Ax, 8x931Hx Cold-Boot Errata” on page 13 for more information.

The following resetsignal conditioning circuit is recommended to work around the power on cold boot errataon 83931HA1/83931AA1 devices. This circuit consists of two stages. The first stage is the Vcc detect circuit that outputs a logic high value on vdet_out when Vcc rises to approximately 3.0 volts. The second stage is the double reset pulse generation circuit that creates two separate reset pulses on the reset output. The three time constants t1, t2 and t3 were chosen to meet the device reset requirements and still allow normal device operation within 10ms of Vcc rise (as per USB specification). The circuit has been tested and shown operational with Vcc ramp times from 1us (hot-plug) to 35ms (worse case PC power-on). Note that it is the responsibility of the implementor to validate the functionality/applicability of this workaround in their applications.

Affected Docs: 8x931AA, 8x931HA Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller User's Manual (order #: 273102), and 8x931AA/8x931HA Universal Serial Bus Peripheral Controller Datasheet (order#: 273108).

Figure 1. 83931HA1/83931AA1 Cold Boot Errata External Reset Circuit Workaround

